

The Hongkong Telegraph.

NEW SERIES No. 24.

MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1895.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£1,500,000
PAID-UP£1,125,000
RESERVE FUND£668,600

BANKERS:

LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1894.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL\$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND\$5,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS\$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
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BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED
ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS at the rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 5 per cent. per annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1895.

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST ON DEPOSITS is allowed at 3 per cent.
per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 per cent. per annum.
For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1895.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL£2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP£251,093-15-0

BANKERS:

CAPITAL & COUNTRIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:—
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:—
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:—
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RATES OF INTEREST.
ALLOWED ON CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.
Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANCEY INCHBALD,
Manager.

Hongkong, 6th November, 1893.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorised Capital£1,000,000
Subscribed Capital£275,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
D. GILLIES, Esq., Chairman.
H. STOLLERHOFF, Esq., Kwan Hoi Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kih Shan, Esq., Chief Manager.

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP£800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS£800,000
RESERVE FUND£275,000

INTEREST ALLOWED ON CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS for 12 months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "

A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1894.

Insurances.

THE
STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE
COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the
CONTRACT OF LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.

For full particulars and rates,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th June 1894.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL TAIELS 600,000 } \$833,333-33-3
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND } \$318,000-00-0

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq., LO YUEK MOON, Esq.
LOU TAO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL

MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 19th December, 1886.

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 15th May, 1894.

Intimations.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS OF TWENTY-FIVE
PER CENT. upon CONTRIBUTIONS
for the year 1894, has been DECLARED.
WARRANTS will be issued on the 29th
instant.

By Order of the Board,
DOUGLAS JONES,
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1895.

IN THE MATTER OF ROBERT FRASER-
SMITH, DECEASED.

PERSONS INDEBTED to the above ESTATE
will oblige by PAYING the AMOUNTS
DUE to the SHROFF of THE HONGKONG
TELEGRAPH.

C. F. A. SANGSTER,
Acting Registrar
and Official Administrator.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1895.

CANTON DISTRICT.

NOTICE TO MARINERS,
No. 52.

NAVIGATION OF THE CANTON RIVER.

THE DECLARATION FORBIDDING
NAVIGATION OF THE CANTON RIVER
at Night is now WITHDRAWN.

J. H. MAY,
Harbour Master.

Approved,
E. FARAGO,
Commissioner of Customs.

Custom House,
Canton, 22nd April, 1895.

FLETCHER'S SARSAPARILLA AND POTASSIUM IODIDE.

Unequalled as a Blood Purifier.

FLETCHER'S PURE EXTRACT OF MALT.
FLETCHER'S PURE EXTRACT OF MALT AND
COD LIVER OIL.

By the use of this valuable combination the
system is strengthened and liability to Coughs,
Consumption, Influenza, &c. is lessened.

FLETCHER'S COMPOUND SYRUP OF THE
HYPOPHOSPHITES.

Recommended for its tonic action on the
Nervous system.

Agents in Hongkong and South of China for
TANSAN,
the New Japanese Table Water, which contains
8 per cent. more Iron Carbonate than that from
any similar Spa.

FLETCHER & Co., "THE PHARMACY,"
23, Queen's Road Central,
AND
CARMICHAEL & Co., Ltd.,
Hongkong, 19th March, 1895.

Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN
AGENCY, LIMITED.
28, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

DAGGER PACKING

SPECIAL DAGGER PACKING
FOR HIGH PRESSURE, ROUND
OR SQUARE.

ASBESTOS PACKINGS of every description.
ASBESTOS SHEETS, MILLBOARDS, CANVAS, &c.
ASBESTOS COMPOSITION for COVERING BOILERS and STEAM PIPES.
CANVAS CORE PACKING (Tuck Form). SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.
ASBESTOLINE, the most economical lubricant.
ALL GOODS BEARING TRADE MARK GUARANTEED.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1895.

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,
"KREMLIN"
A. B. C. Code.

TELEPHONE,
No. 32.

BOARD AND LODGING

FROM \$4.00 PER DAY.

HYDRAULIC LIFT TO ALL FLOORS.

The HOTEL STEAM LAUNCH CONVEYS PASSENGERS and BAGGAGES to and from all

MAIL STEAMERS.

E. J. RICHARDSON,
MANAGER.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1895.

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

HENRY NORMAN'S BOOK: "THE PEOPLE
AND POLITICS OF THE FAR EAST."
Further Supply of hand-painted Photos of well
known Actors.

Two Daughters of Danau, by Mona Caird.
Olga Romanoff, by author of The Angel of the
Revolution.

The Iron Pirate, by Max Pemberton.
Molesworth & Hurst Combined Pocket Book.
Pictures from Punch, in volumes for presenta-
tion.

NEW ALBUMS FOR INSERTING
UNMOUNTED PHOTOS: 1 PLATE AND 2
PLATE. A NOVELTY.

Cavendish on Whist: latest edition.
New Stock Letter Balances, Pocket Books,
Letter Cases, &c.

Webster's International Dictionary, latest
edition.
Illustrated Album relating to Battles of
Khalow, Tallenwas, and Port Arthur.

ALL THE LATEST AND MOST POPULAR NOVELS.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1895.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

SHIPCHANDLERS, SAIL-MAKERS, &c.

SUPPLIES OF ALL KINDS OF
SHIP AND ENGINE STORES
OF BEST BRANDS.

AGENTS FOR:—
HOLZAPFEL'S INTERNATIONAL COMPOSITION FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.
PRICE'S SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OIL.

United Asbestos Co.'s HIGH GRADE packings and jointings for Triple-Expansion Engines.
PURE FRESH WATER SUPPLIED.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1895.

THE CLUB HOTEL.

5, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervi-
sion of approved French Chef has no equal. ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT.
Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures every
assistance given in clearing luggage and attending information. Passengers are met at the
Railway Station.

VISITORS have the option of meeting either in Tokyo or YOKOHAMA, without extra
charge—THE ONLY HOTEL OFFERING SUCH AN ADVANTAGE. EUROPEAN HAIR DRESSER
on the Premises.

Certified Guides are in attendance at both Hotels.

THE CLUB HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, PROPRIETORS.

C. T. BENNEY, Manager, YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager, TOKYO.

TO SHIPMASTERS.

STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to SUPPLY
on shortest notice any quantity of PURE
FRESH FILTERED WATER for both DECK
and BOILERS.

The only Company in Hongkong exclusively
supplying FILTERED WATER.

Despatch Guaranteed. Call Flag "W."
J. W. KEW & Co.,
15, Praya Central.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1894.

MEE CHEUNG.

PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, 12
ICE-HOUSE ROAD.

IS now in a position, in his New and Com-
plicated Premises, to receive, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED
in the Colony, in any part of the Far East.

Groups and Views
taken in different positions.
HONGKONG, 20th September, 1894.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"BENLAVERS."

Captain Webster, will be despatched for above
Port TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Freight, &c., apply to
JOHN ANDREW,
Agent.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1895.

FOR SHANGHAI (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"LIFOO."

Captain Kloefer will be despatched for the above
Port TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1895.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHINGTO."

R. Innes, Commander, will be despatched as
above on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May, at 4 P.M.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the
Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.
First-class Saloon, in situated forward of the
Engine. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the
Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire
voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the
Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1895.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SANDAKAN AND KUDAT.

(Taking through Cargo for SUTU, MENADO and
GORONTALO.)

THE Company's Steamship

"MEMNON."

Captain Branch, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1895.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND MANILA.

THE Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain C. B. N. Dodd, will be despatched on
WEDNESDAY, the 1st May.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1895.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA
(TORO & RUBATINO UNITED COMPANY).

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY,

having connection with Company's Mail Steamer
to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA,
NAPLES (LEGHORN), and GENOA; all
MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LIGURIAN
and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.
Taking Cargo at through rates to PERSIAN
GULF and BAGDAD.

THE Steamship

"BORMIDA."

De Negri, Master, will be despatched as above
on THURSDAY, the 2nd May, at Noon.

At Bombay the Steamers are discharging in
VICTORIA DOCK.

For Further Particulars regarding Freight and
Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1895.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"CATHERINE APCAR."

Captain J. G. Ollent, will be despatched for the
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 3rd proximo, at 3
P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th April, 1895.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Steamship

"NANCHANG."

Captain Vialayon, will be despatched on FRI-
DAY, the 3rd May.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1895.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"ETON."

Captain Brophy, will be despatched as above on
or about SUNDAY, the 5th proximo, at Day-
light.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1895.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR AMOY AND JAVA.

THE Steamship

"HUPH."

Captain Gail, will be despatched on SUN-
DAY, the 5th May.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1895.

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"ORMISTON."

Captain E. Outram, will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at
5 P.M.
For Freight, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1895.

FOR VLADIVOSTOK,
VIA SHANGHAI AND NAGASAKI.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to CORKAN
PORTS).

THE Steamship

"GHAZEE."

Captain D. S. Boller, will be despatched as
above TO-MORROW, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1895.

FOR NAGASAKI.

THE Steamship

"JORDAN."

Captain Gasson, will be despatched as above on
or about the 1st proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1895.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"BOGSTAD."

will be despatched on MONDAY, the 6th prox.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th April, 1895.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

Today's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL CITY HALL.
Lessee & Director, Mr. SAVILLE SMITH.
Stage Manager, Mr. MONTGOMERY.
MISS GRACE HAWTHORNE
AND
COMPANY OF 20 ARTISTS 20.
In a Selection of the latest SOCIETY PLAYS of the Day.
Under the Distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Sir W. ROBINSON, K.C.M.G.
THIS EVENING (MONDAY), 29th April.
ANOTHER GREAT LONDON SUCCESS BY OSCAR WILDE.
"A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE."
TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), 30th April.
The Comedy of "THE SQUIRE" by PINERO.
WEDNESDAY, 1st May.
The Magnificent Play
"CAPTAIN SWIFT"
BY HADEN CHAMBERLAIN.
THURSDAY, 2nd May.
The Laughable FARCE of "DANDY DICK."
FRIDAY, 3rd May.
PINERO'S WONDERFUL PLAY
"THE PROFLIGATE."
SATURDAY, 4th May.
The SCREAMING FARCE of "M.A.M.A."
With SELECT VARIETY SHOW
TRANS to the Peak will be arranged to leave after the Performances every Evening.
Box Office at KELLY & WALSH, LTD.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [557]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
No. 184.

The following is published.
By Command,
J. H. STEWART LOCKHART,
Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [562]

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

UNDER the Pava Reclamation Ordinance No. 16 of 1889, DOUBLE ROW of PILES will be driven into the Sea bed for marking the LINES of the RUBBLE STONE FOUNDATIONS of SEA WALL and EMBANKMENT from the Western end of WING LOK STREET to the Eastern side of Marine Lot 223. The Work of driving the Piles, constructing the Foundations, &c., &c., having commenced on MONDAY, the 22nd inst., Masters of Vessels, Launches, Junk, Cargo Boats, &c. are hereby warned that they must use caution in approaching within 50 yards of the said Work, and that they will be held RESPONSIBLE for any DAMAGE caused by them to such Piles or Work.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has from This Day TAKEN CHARGE of the CONSULATE GENERAL for the NETHERLANDS in SOUTH CHINA and of the CONSULATE for the NETHERLANDS at HONGKONG.
F. I. HAZER DROZCE,
Consul General.
Office, Connaught House, Nos. 4 and 5,
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [559]

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

THE Departure of the Company's Steamship
"PREUSSEN,"
carrying the German Mails for EUROPE, &c., is now fixed for TO-MORROW MORNING (TUESDAY), the 30th inst., at 9 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [558]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Company's Steamship
"ATAX,"
Captain Goodwin, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 30th inst., at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [558]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for CHEFOO, TIENTSIN, NEWCHANG, HANKOW and PORTS on the YANGTZE).
THE Company's Steamship
"CANTON,"
Captain T. H. Sellars, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 1st May, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [560]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship
"HATTAN,"
Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 2nd May, at 9 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS, LAIR & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [561]

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.
THE Company's Steamship
"VOLUTE,"
Captain E. Stott, will be despatched as above on or about the 5th May.
For Freight, apply to
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [563]

"WARRACK" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.
THE Steamship
"MACDUFF,"
Captain Thomson, will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 20th May.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 29th April, 1895. [565]

Artimations.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & COMPANY, LIMITED.
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

COLDS IN THE HEAD, &c.
BUPROUGH'S WELLS & Co.'s
PINOL EUCALYPTIA INHALERS.

ONE of the best remedies extant for Nasal Catarrh and all disorders of the Nasal Passages and Nasopharyngeal membranes.
Price\$1.25.

EUCALYPTUS OIL.

A STANDARD REMEDY FOR COLDS.
Sprinkled on the handkerchief and over the breast of the night clothing it gives almost instant relief.
Bottles\$1.00 and 50 Cents.

DAKIN, CRICKSHANK & Co., Ltd.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1895. [57]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ALL these are Selected by our London House, bought direct at first hand, imported in Wood and Bottled by ourselves, thus saving all intermediate profits and enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

PRICE LISTS, WITH FULL DETAILS, TO BE HAD ON APPLICATION.

PORT—After removal should be rested a month before use. When required for drinking at once it should be ordered to be decanted at the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY—Excellent dinner and after dinner Wines, of very superior vintage. All are true Xeres Wines.

CLARET—Our Clarets, including the lowest priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine product of the juice of the grape and are not artificially made from raisins and currents, as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be pure Cognac, the difference in price being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY—All our Whisky is of excellent quality and of greater age than most brands in the market. The Scotch Whisky marked "E" is universally popular and is pronounced by the best local connoisseurs to be superior to any other brand in the Hongkong Market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to be genuine when bought direct from us in the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1895. [5]

BIRTHS.

At Newchwang on the 29th of March, 1895, the wife of Dr. CHRISTIE, of Mouldees, of a daughter.

At Shanghai, on the 18th April, the wife of T. CARR RAMSEY, of a son.

DEATH.

At Southampton, England, on the 21st March, 1895, THOMAS W. L. HARRIS, late of Shanghai, China, aged 64.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 29, 1895.

TELEGRAMS.

(Special to Hongkong Telegraph.)

THE CHINA-JAPAN WAR.
LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NORTH.

ENGLAND AND JAPAN DEFY RUSSIA.

THE TREATY OF PEACE WILL BE RATIFIED.

SHANGHAI, April 29th.

Information just received from Peking is to the effect that Great Britain has notified her intention to support Japan against Russia's preposterous demands that the former Power should abandon all claims to territory on the mainland of China. The relations between Japan and Russia are, in consequence of Japan persisting in her claims to the seaboard of Manchuria, seriously strained.

China has notified Japan that the ratifications of the Treaty of Peace will be duly exchanged on or before the 8th proximo, and this has greatly incensed the Russian Government.
Present prospects cannot be said to favour hopes of peace, for latent possibilities absolutely forbid undue confidence in the immediate future.

THE WESTERN POWERS AND JAPAN.

London, April 27th.
Germany, Russia and France, declare that their protest is a friendly one and maintain that the cession of the Liaotung peninsula to Japan would be a constant menace to Peking and to the autonomy of Korea.

THE SITUATION AT PEKING.

Shanghai reports that the situation in Peking is critical and that some Chinese Generals are in favour of a continuation of the war. The ratification of the treaty appears to be uncertain.

(Special to Shanghai Mercury.)

THE RETURN OF THE VICEROY LI.
TIENTSIN, April 20th.

Viceroy Li Hong-chang has returned here and is in good health.

PEACE TREATY RATIFIED BY THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

YOKOHAMA, April 21st.
A telegram has been received from Hiroshima, dated the 20th inst., stating that the Emperor of Japan ratified the Peace Treaty yesterday afternoon.

THE SITUATION AT PEKING.

PEKING, April 22nd.
After receipt of Viceroy Li's telegram reporting his arrival at Tientsin from Japan, the Emperor held a long audience with the members of the Grand Council of War, this morning. The main clauses of the Treaty of Peace were discussed, but nothing definite has been arrived at. The populace of Peking seem to be in total ignorance of what has been going on during the peace negotiations and refuse to believe that any portion of Manchuria is to be given up to Japan. As for Formosa, they do not seem to care.

THE JAPANESE ENVOY.

YOKOHAMA, April 22nd.
Mr. Ito Miyoi, Chief Secretary of the Cabinet, has been appointed Japanese Envoy, and has been ordered to proceed to China to exchange ratifications.

THE "YIKSANG" AFFAIR.

YOKOHAMA, April 23rd.
The Sasebo Prize Court held on the 10th inst. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Yiksang* has examined all the Chinese and is now examining the European witnesses. Captain Bradley has asked to have his ship released, offering 16,000 yen as guarantee.

THE PORTS TO BE OPENED.

PEKING, April 23rd.
The former statement of the places to be opened to foreign trade and residence is not quite correct. They are Nanking, Kiating, Cheung, and Shaoching and Wuchow on the West River, in Kwangtung province.

(Peking, it will be seen, is not included in the list, which, however, comprises the opening of the West River, the great artery of South China.)

THE IMPERIAL JAPANESE PROCLAMATION.

TOKYO, April 23rd.
An Imperial proclamation has been issued in which the Emperor declares that he is convinced that through peace the national prosperity will be promoted, and since his accession to the throne it has been His Majesty's desire to preserve peace that will be of advantage to the country.

His Majesty regrets that the Japanese people, acting in concert with the Army and Navy and both Houses of the Diet, have done all in their power to further Imperial objects, and nothing was left undone at home to elaborate plans of action, supply money, and perfect national defence, whilst abroad, unaided of the bitter winter cold or blazing summer heat, the expeditionary forces, triumphing over every difficulty and enduring hardships, bore the standard everywhere, nobly and bravely, and acquired reputation for discipline and humanity.

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occupation of Formosa by Japanese troops on the ground that the war having been waged for the ostensible purpose of procuring the independence of Korea and securing the peace of the Orient, the surrender by China of Formosa is bound to nullify the desirable effects of the whole campaign and lead to serious complications in the near future. We give the latter rumour for whatever it may be worth.

THE PLAGUE IN HONGKONG.

The worst has, alas! come about and the dreaded foe is within our gates. During the past 48 hours three Chinese have died suddenly of bubonic plague and were promptly removed to the Kennedy-town mortuary. One of the cases in question was discovered in Yan Wa Street, Praya Central, another was unearthed at No. 79, Queen's Road West, while a third victim of this terrible disease was taken out of Wingfong Street, Wanchai.
The three victims were adults of the lowest class of natives, living in overcrowded houses.

It will be observed that we do not say "we hear" or "we understand" so-and-so, but state positively that three persons have died of the plague in the Colony within the past 48 hours. This fact should leave no doubt in the minds of our readers that our information is derived from thoroughly trustworthy sources.

THE PLAGUE AT MACAO.

Our Macao correspondent under date 28th inst. reports—"There cannot be any doubt whatever about the plague raging here. As many as thirty persons died of the plague here on Friday, and yesterday 25 names were added to the death-roll. I hear that a couple of Portuguese died here of plague a few days ago. The Government is causing the streets and sewers to be disinfected, but the whole process is glaringly inadequate and is, *de facto*, a disgraceful farce. What, on earth, will be the result of this terrible visitation God only knows. I fear there are dark days in store for this sorry remnant of a once flourishing Portuguese colony." And now we would like to know what the Secretary General and the *Echo* Macaensis have to say about this. Will they continue to deny the existence of the plague in the "Holy City"? Surely not!

MISCELLANEOUS.

We hear that several plague patients were last night removed by their relatives from Hongkong to Samsui, and that one of them died there this forenoon.

Captain Superintendent May, Inspector Germain, and the Tung Wah Hospital officials have made arrangements for the disposal of the dead and the dying, on much the same lines as last year.

The plague is reported to be prevalent in a village at Castle Peak Bay, and this fell disease is also prevalent at the village of Sha-po-tai, Chinese Kowloon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

EXCHANGE has dropped a 1/4 since 10 o'clock this morning.

H.M.S. *Whitorn* went into Cosmopolitan Dock to-day for the usual periodical overhaul.

A FLORAL cantata, entitled "The Coming of the Flowers," will be given at the Union Church to-morrow, commencing at 6 p.m.

A HEAD coffin was fired \$25 by Capt. Hastings at the Magistrate's to-day for failing to register his "den." He is Thomson's Reiter just now.

BROADWOOD PIANOS at W. Robinson & Co.

A LETTER received at Shanghai from the North on the 24th inst. reported that the lightship and buoys are to be removed and the torpedoes removed at Taku, and that preparations are being made to carry out this work.

MESSES. C. F. A. Sangster and G. Grimbie gave another of their most delightful organ recitals at the Union Church on Saturday evening, and it goes without saying that it attracted a large and appreciative audience.

It was rumoured in Shanghai on the 25th inst. that news had reached the local officials from Peking to the effect that the Emperor of China, acting on the advice of his Council of State, had refused to ratify the treaty of peace.

The *Centurion* was loudly cheered by the crews of the German and Russian warships as she passed out of the harbour on her way to Chafu this afternoon. The German cruiser *Arcona* weighed anchor and followed the *Centurion* at 5 p.m.

COLLARD & COLLARD PIANOS at W. Robinson & Co.

We received here from Shanghai by the *Provision* yesterday state that an insurrection has broken out in Honan province; several military officials have been murdered by the insurgents, and urgent appeals for aid have been sent to the neighbouring provinces.

THAT Mr. Ring's invader, which came in first in the Griffin Plate race at Shanghai to-day in 2 mins. 30 sec., is a "clicker" is evident from the fact that his time is identical with Teon Kwang's for the same distance, in 1875, and has only once been beaten, namely by Hero, who, in 1890, covered the distance in 2 mins. 24 1/2 sec.

We are greatly indebted to the courtesy of the Manager of the Joint Telegraph Companies for information respecting the results of the Shanghai Races, which have been forwarded to us with remarkable, eye, even startling, rapidity and absolute accuracy. The winners of the various events could hardly have flattered "Homing" before their names reached Hongkong and were being set up in cold type in this office as fast as possible. Last year the results reached us very quickly, but the Companies' operators have now accomplished a "best on record."

FULL stock of banjos, mandolins, guitars, accordions, strings and fittings of all kinds at W. Robinson & Co.

W. ROBINSON & Co., piano builders, tuners and repairers.

THE French cruiser *Duguay Trouin* arrived here yesterday morning from Saigon en route to the North.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ended April 28th are—Europeans, 177; Chinese, 1,611; total, 1,788.

A STEAMER which arrived at Shanghai from Hongkong on the 24th inst. reports seeing four Japanese men-of-war and four torpedo-boats off the White Dog.

THE "Squatter King" fixed a Chinese contractor to-day for encroaching on Crown land in New Street. Ten dollars settled the business to the Magistrate's and the ubiquitous Land Bailiff's entire satisfaction.

NEW Comic Song and Dance Albums at W. Robinson & Co.

THE *Norvold Vremys* recently published a number of letters from Russian residents in China urging the necessity of Russia occupying a portion of Manchuria, and constructing a branch line of the Siberian Railway as far as Klio, in order to secure the security of the Russian possessions in the Far East against encroachments by China or any other nation.

NOTICE has been sent to the shareholders of the Shanghai Dock Company that Messrs. S. C. Farnham & Co., Ltd. having paid up, before date, the whole of the purchase money of the Old Property, namely the 150,000, the Liquidators have decided to make at once a second return of capital of 150,000 per share, and they advise that there is a prospect of a still further return being made to a small extent.

THE following is the constitution of the Woon-pei-chong Recreation Ground Committee as approved by His Excellency the

